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referred to the Appropriations Committee, advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM1047, Legislative Journal page 1590.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to open on the bill.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, this bill, Mr. Speaker and members of the body, is LB 539. That is a separate bill for payment of salaries for certain state officers, constitutional officers in this case, our state elected officials, except legislators, judges and the Tax Commissioner. By constitutional law, we have to have a separate bill for these particular salaries and this...I think there's a...be...should be a committee amendment on this that will have the updated numbers. We'll get to that.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: As Chair of the committee, you're recognized to open on the committee amendments.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: The committee amendments are the current numbers for salaries, once again, for certain state officers, constitutional officers. Judges and Tax Commissioner, excluding the legislators, which will be in the next bill which is LB 540. But LB 539 is constitutional officers. That...the amendment is...will become the bill.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the opening on the committee amendments. Debate on the committee amendments? Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to close. He waives that opportunity. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Committee amendments are adopted. We're now debating the advancement of the bill. Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President, once again the committee